

[Dec. 1978]

# STOP!

## "IMPORTANT CLUB '70 Newsletter"

### 1. Memberships are now available for "1979" :

After three years of maintaining the same full and associate membership prices, the Board has seen fit and necessary to increase fees for 1979. Yearly membership now retail at \$30.00 while Associate Memberships, for a four month duration, will sell at \$15.00

" BUY NOW BEFORE CHRISTMAS BANKRUPTS US ALL ! "

### 2. IMPORTANT NEWS BULLETIN REGARDING THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND CAMPAIGNING FOR THE BOARD :

We're proud of our past and present record of service to Edmonton's Gays. Our Club is "unique" in that it is totally owned and controlled by "YOU" our gay members. Each year Club '70 holds its' ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING on the last Sunday afternoon in January. However, with the advent of 1979 and in accordance with the Companies Branch Changes in their regulations, Club '70 will hold its' ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING for all 1978 yearly members on



SUNDAY, MARCH 25th, 1979 at 2:00 P.M.

At this time, elections will be held for the following positions: President, Two Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, Program Committee Chairman and three Directors, elected for a two year term. For a person to be eligible to run, a prospective candidate must have been a full member for the 1978 term and be endorsed by another Club '70 Full Member. Forms for members interested in running are available NOW! Lyle, the Club's Manager has these forms. Should you require more information, I'm sure the following Board Committee members would be more than happy and willing to assist you:



1. John Halls - D.J.
2. Joyce White - Board Member
3. Frank Smith - Doorman on Saturdays

The Club's Manager Lyle, must have the forms in his possession on or before the deadline of SATURDAY, MARCH 10th, 1979.







3. Some GOOD NEWS & some BAD NEWS :

Renovations have been approved and work commences JANUARY 2nd 1979.

But we need your help! Volunteers are needed immediately. Both skilled (plumbers, carpenters, electricians) and unskilled laborers volunteering their services are our only way of completing total changes by the end of February. With your help and dedication we may be able to open sooner! Together we can shorten the projected two month closing duration. If you can help please contact either;

1. Lyle - Club's Manager
2. Stan - Bartender
3. Joyce - Board member

By wielding a hammer or stroking a paint brush, we'll all make OUR CLUB a place to be proud of! + PLEASE NOTE, should the Club be able to secure alternative hall space during renovations, we'll surely advise you of your temporary Club Premises in the Downtown area.

4. DONATIONS FOR THE BUILDING/RENOVATIONS GREATLY ACCEPTED!

If you've examined our scale drawing or model replica, you'll realize that doing CLUB '70's dynamic renovations - it is a very costly undertaking. One of which the Club feels warranted for the betterment of all. We need YOUR financial support! Are you willing to give a cash donation?

Please give your donations to either;

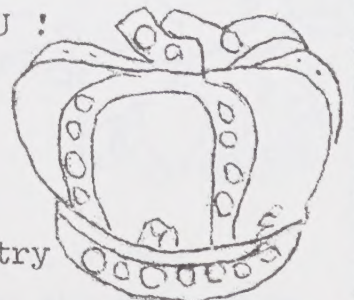
1. The Club's Donation Jar - located in the bar area
2. The Club's Manager - Lyle or
3. The Club's Treasurer - Gary Wilson

5. F L A S H : Have we got a busy schedule for YOU !

We need contestants to run for King III and Queen III of Club '70 for 1979-80.

DEADLINE for applications is FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1st at 10:00 P.M. See the Manager for these entry forms. Entry fee is \$10.00.

A) "CORONATION" - SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2nd, 1978. Voting for



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New King & Queen 9:30 -11:00 P.M.



→ ★ SHOW ★ - "Steppong down of QUEEN 11  
GRINDL"

M.C. - CHATTY with Special Qests -

"EMPEROR111 Tony & EMPRESS 111 NIKKI"

BE EARLY IF YOU WANT A GOOD SEAT FOR THIS EVENT:

B) CLUB'S BUSY WORK BEE :

Volunteers helpers are needed to help sort and pack for  
the Club's forthcoming move

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3rd, 1978 at 2:00 P.M.

FREE Coffee and Doughnuts !

"Lend us your hands !"

C) Without YOU.....Someone might not have Christmas.



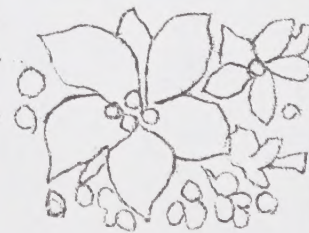
At Christmastime, every year.....hundreds of children  
know that there will be no gifts from Santa Claus. No  
surprise beneath a Christmas tree. It's not that they  
haven't been good.....they have. It's just that, for  
them, there is no Santa Claus! No one who cares.... or,  
someone who cares but can't afford to give a gift. They are the  
Children sponsored by the Salvation Army.

Club '70 wants to make this Christmas a very happy Christmas  
for each and everyone of them. We want to leave many special  
gifts beneath their tree.....to see a smile on every face....  
to brighten each difficult life.

Therefore, we are proud to once again sponsor our  
"TOYS FOR TOTS NITE" SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9th/78.

ADMISSION: is an unwrapped gift for a Boy or Girl  
age one thru fifteen.

ANY MONEY DONATED in a special envelope will be  
pooled together to but additional toys for the  
needy. With your support, this Christmas could be a very  
special Christmas for the children sponsorder by the Salvation  
Army. Without YOU.....someone might not have CHRISTMAS !



New Year's Eve 1930 - 11:30 P.M.

SHOW - "Stolen from the Sun" -  
W.C. - "CITY with Special Guests -"  
"MORNING TALK" - 11:30 P.M.



3) COUNCIL'S NEW WORK -

Volunteers help are needed to help sort and pack for  
the City's Christmas move.

SUNDAY, 10:00 A.M. 1930 at 2:00 P.M.

THE Colored and Deviants :  
"Long as you breathe"

1) Without YOU... someone at not have Christmas.

2) Christmas, every year... hundreds of children

know that there will be no little Santa Claus.

Surprise Santa's Christmas tree. It's not that they

haven't seen good... they have. It's just that, for

them, there is no Santa Claus! To one who comes... or,

someone who does not can't afford to give a gift. They are the

children sponsored by the Salvation Army.

3) We want to make this Christmas a very happy Christmas

for each and every one of them. We want to have many a child

with a warm bed and a new coat... to see a smile on every face...

to get them back to their life.

Therefore, we are going to have a very special one.

"TOYS FOR TOMS" - SATURDAY, 10:00 A.M. 1930.

ADMISSION is an unwelcome gift for a boy or girl

and one the children.

AND DON'T FORGET in a special envelope will be

needed to enter for additional toys for the

needed. With your support, this Christmas could be a very

special Christmas for the children sponsored by the Salvation

Army. Without YOU... someone at not have CHRISTMAS!





D) SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16th, 1978

"RENOVATION BENEFIT NITE"

Regular admission / Club 70's Renovation Model unveiled !

SPECIAL RAFFLE - With a \$1.00 ticket purchase you may win a chance at \$50.00 spending money - just in time for Christmas (Sponsored by the Renovation Committee Chairman, Gary Wilson) This draw will be made that night !

E) SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31st, 1978

"NEW YEARS EVE" 7:00 P.M. - 3:00 A.M.

Come say adieu to the old and harold in the NEW!



Members: This is YOUR NITE

We feature:

- a catered meal
- complementary hats & noise makers
- free champagne
- Show

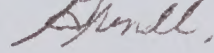
Please NOTE , THE MEAL IS LIMITED TO OUR 150 SEATING CAPACITY. Our tickets are on a first come, first served basis, so buy early ! Don't be disappointed - bound to be a sell-out ! Tickets will go on sale soon.

6. Club '70 will close ~~DECEMBER 31st, 1978~~ January 1st, 1979 and re-open either the end of February or the beginning of March. We'll notify you !
7. Club '70 is open every Friday Nite 9:00 P.M. - 3:00 A.M. - BEER NITE ! and every Saturday Nite 9:00 P.M. - 3:00 A.M. with a Full Liquor License !

As your PROGRAM COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, I would like to thank you all, everyone of my volunteers for their assistance throughout 1978. On behalf of the Board of Club '70, may I extend to each and every patron a joyous Noel and may the NEW YEAR bring you good health and prosperity.

Yours.....  
D.J. John Halls

To extend to you all, a very Happy Christmas and Joyous New year.

Sincerely,  B. Ponto  
Grindl, Queen 11, Secretary,  
Club '70

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Dear Editor;

Two friends of mine have been considering a Gay marriage for sometime now. At a point where they became very serious about it, they contacted the Metropolitan Community Church to establish if, and how, they could go about this move.

Several days after they inquired, they recieved a very informative letter which I thought you would like to print, for the benefit of many other Gay brothers and sisters in our community.

I've obtained their permission to forward the letter and have enclosed it.

We wish to remain anonymous.

Dear Gay Brother:

Congratulations on finding your relationship with-----. You speak of your communion of life with him in such quiet, assured tones that it comes across as being very good and indeed blessed.

As to your questions about same sex marriages, so far in Canada there is no such thing. A year or so ago a Unitarian Minister posted banns and did a service for two men, however, the provincial government disallowed it. A minister here is about to do one for two women, but apparently the Registrar General will allow it to remain on the books but no legal benefit will occur from it. Marriage comes under provincial jurisdiction so Alberta could differ from others, although I doubt it.

In the United States four years ago two men found a loophole in Texas state laws, obtained a license and were married. That marriage is a matter of record, but again no legal benefits, or recognition, seems to accrue. Last year the county clerk in Bauder, Colorado, began to issue licenses, but after six the state found a way to stop any more. The ensuing marriages still exist even after

state efforts to annul them. One of the individuals, an Australian, is using the marriage as basis for claiming a right to remain in the U.S. The federal government is fighting this vigorously and, I might add viciously.

So you can see the record is not particularly favorable. Marriage is a civil matter, not a religious one. That sounds odd, doesn't it, considering that most weddings we hear of are held in churches. Here in Ontario and also in Quebec (perhaps in all others, I just haven't pursued the information) a minister officiating at a wedding must have a separate and specific license and must report each wedding to the civil authority. The couple must first obtain a license or the marriage can occur after posting of the banns (a holdover from pioneer days left on the books for the benefit of the far north) and the minister must report that to the government. And once established the marriage and its dissolution are all controlled by the civil law. The function of the church is then to act as an agent of government and to provide a spiritual blessing which is separate from the legal nature of the event.

In M.C.C. we provide a liturgical celebration of Gay relationship which we refer to as Holy Union. We find that for some couples there is a definite spiritual meaning in standing in front of the altar of God and proclaiming their love. We are not into shows, in fact the majority of the 19 we did last year involved only the couple and two close friends as witnesses. Two services were witnessed by the church member who was helping me that day. And we guard against mockery of marriage by insisting that our established order of service be used and that order has eliminated all vestiges of heterosexual marriage, but is rather a proclamation of love and a pledge "my life







to a relationship with you which is based on mutual love, trust and understanding, for as long as God shall bless our love."

What then, is available - and it can be by any minister who is open to accepting the spirituality possible in a relationship between two men or two women - is a celebration and blessing which bear no meaning or consequence in law. Some elements of the legal appeal of marriage can be obtained by having a lawyer draft such documents as wills, partnership agreements, powers of attorney, etc. This has been done by several of the couples who have celebrated their union in the church here.

Yes, it is unfortunate that there is no M.C.C. in Edmonton. I have recently been contacted by a man there who would like to see it get started and we are in communication. If it appears that a beginning work is going to get off the ground, I'll get details to you.

In Christ's name I greet you,

Reverend Robert S. Wolfe

(.....thank you for a most interesting submission.. the editor)

In the April Edition of Club 70 News, we'll be presenting:

"Straight Facts about theGay Church"

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## CHANGING TIMES

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Blasphemy, Murder, Strife  
Bound together in this night  
Hands held high against the fight ;  
Life's moral degenerates  
Walk the streets  
Causing pain at their feet,  
While we sit  
And drink our tea  
In this hell wrought sea.  
Who cares, who cares we cry  
The sacrifice has been made  
And again all dues have been paid.

But bear your witness  
Against the crime  
Cause your turn  
may be next time

The air polutes our lungs  
And you pollute our minds  
But Society's Child  
Blames it on the Changing Times.

M. Leyden









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....stew  
....irish coffee  
booze...booze...hoose'

Bring a friend.. or take one  
HOME!!







# YOU

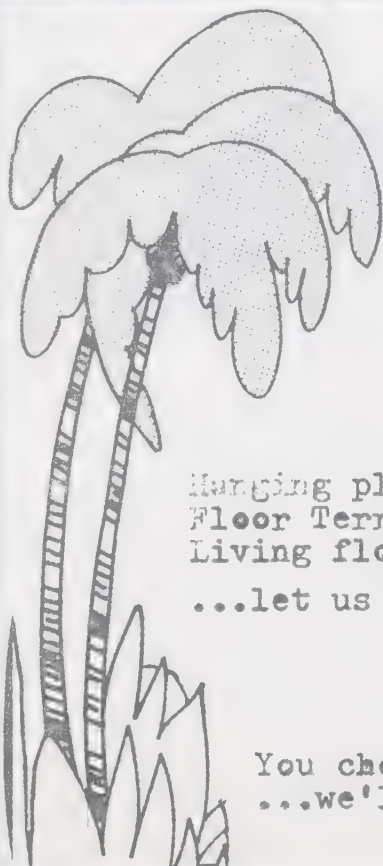
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Club 70



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